



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1600**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 08702.0071-00000

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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KIM et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1654
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Application No.: 09/687,281	)	Examiner: J. Harle
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Filed: October 13, 2000	)	Confirmation No.: 9127
	)	
For: INJECTABLE CARRIER	)	<b>Mail Stop RCE</b>
FORMULATIONS OF	)	
HYALURONIC ACID	)	
DERIVATIVES FOR DELIVERY	)	
OF OSTEOGENIC PROTEINS	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 19, 2004, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, the period for response having been extended to March 19, 2005 by a request for extension of two (2) months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims at page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the claims sections of this paper on page 7.